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SUBJ: DISARMAMENT--DRAFT NUCLEAR TEST BAN RESOLUTION

REF: USUN 4628

1. KEVIN (AUSTRALIA) GAVE US DELOFF COPY OF REVISED CTB RES (TEXT BELOW) DRAFTED PRIMARILY BY AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND. TEXT INCORPORATES REVISIONS SUGGESTED BY MEXICO AND HAS BEEN DISCUSSED IN DETAIL WITH NUMEROUS OTHER NON-ALIGNED AS WELL AS WESTERN DELEGATIONS, INCLUDING CANADA AND JAPAN. KEVIN SEEMED CONFIDENT THAT CANADA AND JAPAN WOULD AGREE TO COSPONSOR RES.

2. IN VIEW OF MEXICAN APPROVAL OF TEXT, KEVIN CONSIDERED IT LIKELY THAT MEXICO WOULD NOT TABLE A DRAFT OF ITS OWN THIS YEAR AND THAT AUSTRALIAN-NZ RES WOULD, THEREFORE, BE APPROVED BY A MASSIVE MAJORITY.

3. TEXT FOLLOWS:

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,

GRAVELY DISTURBED AT THE CONTINUANCE OF TESTING OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS SINCE THE ASSEMBLY LAST MET,
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RECALLING ITS PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS ON THIS
SUBJECT,

RECALLING THE STAND AIM OF THE PARTIES TO THE
TREATY BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE,
OUTER SPACE AND UNDERWATER AND THE TREATY ON THE NON-
PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS TO SEEK TO ACHIEVE
THE DISCONTINUANCE OF ALL TEST EXPLOSIONS OF NUCLEAR
WEAPONS FOR ALL TIME,

TAKING NOTE OF THE SPECIAL REPORT OF THE CONFERENCE
OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT IN DOCUMENT A/9708 ON
THE QUESTION OF A TREATY BANNING UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR
WEAPONS TESTS,

BELIEVING THAT THE CONTINUANCE OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
TESTING WILL INTENSIFY THE ARMS RACE THUS INCREASING
THE DANGER OF NUCLEAR WAR,

CONVINCED THAT CESSATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS
TESTING WOULD BE IN THE SUPREME INTEREST OF MANKIND,
BOTH AS A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS CONTROLLING THE
DEVELOPMENT AND PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS,
AND TO RELIEVE THE DEEP APPREHENSION CONCERNING
THE HARMFUL CONSEQUENCES OF RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION
FOR THE HEALTH OF PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS,

1. CONDEMNS ALL NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS, IN WHATEVER
ENVIRONMENT THEY MAY BE CONDUCTED

2. REAFFIRMS ITS DEEP CONCERN AT THE CONTINUANCE
OF SUCH TESTING, BOTH IN THE ATMOSPHERE AND
UNDERGROUND AND AT THE LACK OF PROGRESS TOWARDS
A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AGREEMENT

3. CALLS UPON ALL STATES NOT YET PARTY TO THE TREATY
BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPONS TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE,
OUTER SPACE AND UNDERWATER TO ADHERE TO IT
FORTHWITH

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4. EMPHASISES ONCE MORE THE URGENCY OF CONCLUDING
A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AGREEMENT

5. REMINDS THE NUCLEAR WEAPONS STATES OF THEIR
SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY TO INITIATE PROPOSALS
TO THIS END

6. CALLS ON ALL STATES TO REFRAIN FROM THE TESTING

OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, IN ANY ENVIRONMENT, PENDING
CONCLUSION OF SUCH AN AGREEMENT

7. REQUESTS THE CONFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON
DISARMAMENT TO GIVE THE HIGHEST PRIORITY TO
THE CONCLUSION OF A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN
AGREEMENT AND TO REPORT TO THE THIRTIETH
SESSION ON THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED

8. DECIDES TO INCLUDE IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA
OF ITS THIRTIETH SESSION AN ITEM ENTITLED
"URGENT NEED FOR CESSATION OF NUCLEAR AND
THERMONUCLEAR TESTS AND CONCLUSION OF A TREATY
DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN". UNQTE
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